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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee MS-011, Classification of Hazardous Areas, with the assistance of the Joint Subcommittees EL-014-05, Dust and Plenum Systems and MS-011-01, Combustible Dusts, to supersede AS/NZS 61241.3:1999.

This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (March 2007). The changes required by the Amendment are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the clause, note, table, figure or part thereof affected.

This Standard is identical with, and has been reproduced from IEC 61241-10, Ed.1(2004), *Electrical apparatus for use in the presence of combustible dust – Part 10: Classification of areas where combustible dusts are or may be present*.

The objective of this Standard is to provide manufacturers and installers of electrical equipment, as well as electrical inspecting authorities, with classification of areas where explosive dust/air mixtures and combustible dust layers are present, in order to permit the proper selection of electrical apparatus for use in such areas.

This first edition of AS/NZS 61241.10 cancels and replaces AS/NZS 61241.3, published in 1999.

The major changes with respect to AS/NZS 61241.3 are listed below:

- (a) Definitions of zones have changes.
- (b) Layers are no longer restricted to Zone 20. Consideration of layers as a source of a dust cloud has been introduced.

AS/NZS 61241 consists of the following parts under the general title: *Electrical apparatus for use in the presence of combustible dust*:

Part 0:	General requirements
Part 1:	Protection by enclosures ‘tD’
Part 2:	Type of protection ‘pD’*
Part 10:	Classification of areas where combustible dusts are or may be present
Part 11:	Protection by intrinsic safety ‘iD’†
Part 14:	Selection and installation
Part 17:	Inspection and maintenance of electrical installations in hazardous areas (other than mines)†
Part 18:	Protection by encapsulation ‘mD’
Part 20:	Test methods‡
Part 20.1:	Methods for determining the minimum ignition temperatures of dust
Part 20.2:	Method for determining the electrical resistivity of dust in layers
Part 20.3:	Method for determining minimum ignition energy of dust/air mixtures

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Further useful information regarding combustible dusts can be found in AS/NZS 4745:2004, *Code of practice for handling combustible dusts*.

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